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Advisory Action

Status of Amendment after final

The response after final dated 09/05/08 has been entered.

Status of pending claims

See the final rejection dated 04/08/08.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 09/05/08 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. See below.

In response to the applicant's arguments in the paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 of the response dated 09/05/08, it is submitted that Takashi et al. in combination with Kinoshita, Kitahara et al., and Moyer teach the claimed invention.

In response to the applicant's arguments in the paragraph bridging pages 3 and 4 of the response dated 09/05/08, it is submitted that Kitahara is being relied on only for the broad teaching of using oxide to isolate bipolar transistors. Further, it is submitted that it is the combination of Takashi et al., Kinoshita, Kitahara et al., and Moyer that teaches the claimed invention.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Long Pham whose telephone number is 571-272-1714. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Frid, 10am to 5pm.

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